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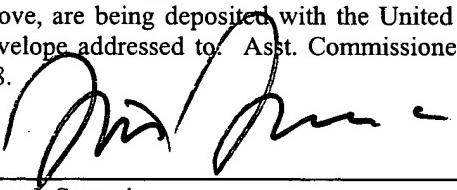
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

This prior art statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98 in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

In the judgment of the undersigned, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative relevance between references, whether cited in this statement or prior statements. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §102.

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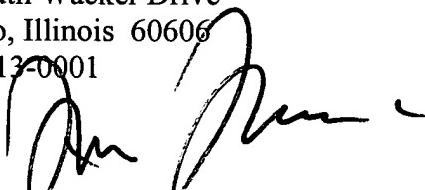
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believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

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